

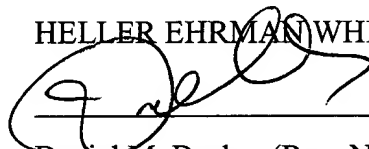
REMARKS

Applicants, by their newly appointed attorneys, herein cancel all but claim 16, and amend claim 16 to include all limitations of the claims from which it had previously depended (claims 1, 2, and 3). Applicants respectfully submit that the amendments herein are fully responsive to the Examiner's comments in the final office action mailed April 2, 2004, placing the current application in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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